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SUBJECT: MOSCOW CHANCERY RECONSTRUCTION - SPECIFICATIONS AND
MATERIALS FOR C&R RENOVATION

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(C) STATE 258476 (NOTAL), (D) MOSCOW 15885 (NOTAL),
(E) MOSCOW 16055 (NOTAL)

1. SEABEES ARE NOW BEGINNING DRYWALL INSTALLATION IN C&R AREA AND
WILL BE READY TO BEGIN INTERIOR ELECTRICAL WORK NO LATER THAN
NOVEMBER 9. AT PRESENT, NEITHER PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR C&R
INTERIOR ELECTRICAL WORK NOR NECESSARY MATERIALS ARE AT POST. CPOIC
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SEABEES ESTIMATES THAT C&R COMPLETION DATE WILL SLIP ONE HALF DAY
FOR EVERY DAY AFTER NOVEMBER 9 THAT MATERIAL ABOVE IS NOT AVAILABLE
AND BY ONE FULL DAY FOR EVERY ADDITIONAL DAY MATERIAL IS NOT
AVAILABLE
AFTER NOVEMBER 16.

2. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, POST URGENTLY REQUESTS COMPLETION OF

SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS FOR ELECTRICAL WORK IN NEW C&R AREA.

3. SINCE ELECTRICAL MATERIALS ARE CRITICAL TO MAINTAINING PROJECT MOMENTUM, REQUEST IMMEDIATE PROCUREMENT AND AIR SHIPMENT OF THE NECESSARY MATERIALS CONCURRENT WITH FORMULATION OF BILL OF MATERIALS. BECAUSE THE TIME FACTOR IS ALSO CRITICAL, POST RECOMMENDS THAT, WHERE POSSIBLE, MATERIALS LISTED BY REFS A AND B RELEASED AND SHIPPED TO MOSCOW IMMEDIATELY.

4. WITH REFERENCE TO TIMING OF THE ARRIVAL OF REPLACEMENT COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND HARDWARE PER REF C, MOSCOW IS AT PRESENT SEVERELY LIMITED IN ITS ABILITY TO RECEIVE, SECURELY STORE, LIFT AND INSTALL THIS EQUIPMENT. WE ARE CONSTRAINED BY

A. LACK OF CLASSIFIED STORAGE SPACE

B. LIMITED LABOR RESOURCES

C. UNCERTAINTY, AT THIS STAGE, OF THE ADEQUACY OF OUR LIFTING CAPABILITY, AND MOST IMPORTANT

D. UNCERTAINTY REGARDING THE DATE OF THE COMPLETION OF THE INTERIOR ELECTRICAL WORK IN THE C&R AREA.

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IF THE INTERIOR ELECTRICAL WORK IN C&R IS NOT COMPLETED BY NOVEMBER 20, AND THIS IS CONTINGENT ON FACTORS OUTLINED IN PARAS 2 AND 3 ABOVE, THEN THE SHIPMENT HERE OF REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL THAT EQUIPMENT CAN BE CONVENIENTLY RECEIVED AND CONTROLLED, HOPEFULLY BY THE END OF NOVEMBER AS PER REF E.
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